

Responsibility

Empathy

Aspiration

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Friday 28th May 2021



A Message from the Headteacher

Dear parents and carers,

This half-term seems to have gone by in a flash and I am glad to say that no child has had to miss a day of school due to Coronavirus, which is a huge improvement on previous terms. Attendance is also consistently above 96% across the school, so thank you for your support in ensuring children come to school each day.

As is always the case before half-term or the end of term, it has been incredibly busy this week. Ms Joseph and Ms Choudhury launched mental health awareness week during whole-school assembly, with children and staff taking part in initiatives such as 'stop and breathe', encouraging mindfulness and reflection. We have also been catching children being kind, with children recognising and rewarding acts of kindness across the school. As well as this, year 5 had a special Bollywood workshop this week, where they were taught the art of Bollywood dance – pictures of this below.

I would like to wish you all a restful and enjoyable half-term break and we will see you all back on Monday 7th June.

Mr Reynolds
Headteacher

Free School Meals

Free School Meals (FSM) voucher scheme is being extended to the next half term. This means that all FSM children will receive £15 to cover week beginning Monday 31st May 2021 - Friday 4th June 2021. Please start checking your email's (you inbox and junk folder) for your child's voucher from noreply@edenred.co.uk Please contact Edenred directly at free-schoolmealsparentscarers@edenred.com if you experience any difficulties.

Term Dates

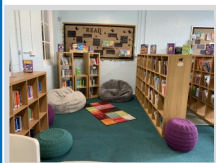
End of term: **28th May 2021** Half Term: **31st May - 4th June**
Back to school: **Monday 7th June 2021**

Hackney

Covid-19 Variants of Concern

Please read the latest guidance from the government regarding the two variants of concern in **Dalston and Shoreditch**. For more information and details of PCR testing centres, [click here](#).

School Library Launch



We will officially be launching our school library during the first week back after half term! We will have special Year 5 librarians to oversee the day-to-day running of the library and class library monitors have been chosen to help with scanning and quarantining the books. Each class will enjoy a 30 minute slot each week for children to read and swap books. We can hardly wait to make full use of our beautifully new space.

Summer Concerts

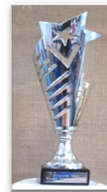


Watch out for more news of our upcoming summer concerts happening towards the end of June and July. Children have been practicing and are looking forward to performing! Dates and times will be available soon.

Attendance

Congratulations to Year 1
For having the highest year group attendance last week!

Year 1MC will host the Attendance Trophy when we return from half term break. Well done!



	Key Stage 2	Last Week	Term to Date
Year 6	97%	96%	96%
Year 5	95%	96%	96%
Year 4	90%	94%	94%
Year 3	96%	97%	97%
Reception / Key Stage 1			
Year 2	98%	96%	96%
Year 1	99%	96%	96%
Rec	97%	98%	98%

Bollywood Workshop

Year 5 have been learning all about Indian culture this term as we have been reading 'A Beautiful Lie'. We invited in Bollywood vibes – a Bollywood workshop – who taught us more about Indian history, the meaning in the colours of the flag and the geography of India. Children were learning Bollywood dance moves, wearing Indian traditional clothing and even had a dance off. It was a great morning!



World Environment Day



We learned about World Environment Day during our whole school assembly this week. It's a day when we are encouraged to make changes to our habits to protect the environment. Children were reminded about simple changes like recycling, not dropping litter and walking to school where possible. Let's think about changes we can make.

Saturday 5th June

Gold Certificates

Congratulations to our Gold achievers! These were awarded for fantastic maths and literacy work, for having a brilliant attitude to learning and to each other, perseverance, partner working and being a great role model. Well done to you all!

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Adrina	Dina Mariam K Yusra Merjem	Zvezda Ismail James	Yusra T'khi Zumra Alivia Divine Kaden Ursula	Bethlehem Iqra Ikra Amy Semier Kolyo Gyokan	Nathaniel Safiya Beyza Yagmur Ivan Gintare	Cyrus James Erina Kai Ja'Viah Mohammed Emirdzhan Areneh Gyulshan

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Wash hands



Cover face



Make space







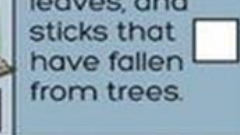
























Mental Health Awareness Week

Outdoor Activities for Half Term

HIKE IT BABY 30

30 THINGS TO DO WITH YOUR KIDS OUTSIDE

<p>Look at a cloud and say what you think it looks like. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Make a wish on a dandelion. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Explore a cobweb and make spiders cool. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Hug a tree. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Build a house for fairies. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 
<p>Read a book in the woods. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Fill a basket with nuts, leaves, and sticks that have fallen from trees. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Pick up 3 pieces of trash from outside. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Identify 3 birds. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Throw rocks in a river, pond, or puddle. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 
<p>Plant wildflowers. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Build a rock cairn. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Slide down a sand or grassy hill. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Explore a trail you have never been down. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Draw pictures in the dirt. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 
<p>Paint rocks with water and see what colors arise. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Splash in a big puddle. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Put bugs in a bowl and observe them. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Work in a garden or explore a public garden. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Pick out how many shades of green you see on a trail. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 
<p>Look for something prickly. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Sing in the rain. <input type="checkbox"/> no rain?? stick your head in a fountain or waterfall and sing!</p> 	<p>Plant a seed that you find on the trail. <input type="checkbox"/> i.e. acorn, pine cone, willow fuzz</p> 	<p>Have a picnic. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Find a trail with a creek and look for the animals that live in it. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 
<p>My Trail <input type="checkbox"/> Name a trail with your own special name.</p> 	<p>Make binoculars out of toilet paper rolls and spy something through them. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Make a new friend. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Walk like a duck, a deer, or a bear. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 	<p>Find different items that are your child's favorite color. <input type="checkbox"/></p> 